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WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

IN THE MATTER OF  
COURTHOUSE SECURITY

GENERAL ORDER

Subject to the following limitations, pagers, cellular telephones, electronic address books and laptop computers will be permitted in the United States Courthouse in Seattle and Tacoma.

Pagers are permitted in the courthouse, provided that they are switched to a vibrate (rather than an audible) mode prior to entry.

Cellular telephones may be taken into the courthouse, but must be turned off whenever the telephone is brought into a courtroom, chambers, or agency office area.

Laptop computers may be brought into the courthouse, and, with the permission of the presiding judge, may be used during court proceedings. Absent such permission laptop computers must be turned off.

Individual judges may bar electronic devices from their courtrooms, or may impose additional restrictions.

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3 All other electronic devices, cameras, and tape recorders are prohibited without the  
4 specific authority of the Judge presiding over a particular matter or of the Chief Judge.

5 The court may impose a fine of \$100.00 or other appropriate sanction for any violation  
6 of this order.

7 Dated this 12 day of October, 2000.

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JOHN C. COUGHENOUR  
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE